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DIVISION OF MENTAL RETARDATION SERVICES
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Dear Friends:

During the legislative session of 2006, the General Assembly charged the Division of Mental Retardation Services to appoint a task force to study the creation of a system of supports and services for individuals with developmental disabilities other than mental retardation. The group was also to investigate ways of funding, structuring, and administering the system.

The task force included persons with disabilities, family members and representatives from advocacy groups, the Vanderbilt Kennedy Center, state government, and the direct service community. Membership spanned the entire state.

The mandate was for the group to complete its responsibilities by June 30, 2007 and present its findings to the Tennessee House and Senate Government Operations Committees no later than January 15, 2008.

Please see the accompanying document detailing those findings.

Sincerely,

Stephen H. Norris
Deputy Commissioner

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